STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS BRANCH

In re: Beth Ouellette, R.N.

Petition No. 2006-0511-010-038

INTERIM CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Beth Ouellette, of Westerly, Rhode Island, (hereinafter "respondent") has been issued license number E59935 to practice as a registered nurse by the Department of Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") pursuant to Chapter 378 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, the Department has received information regarding respondent's alleged diversion of controlled substances from Backus Hospital.

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to conduct further investigation, and the parties wish to provide for the protection of the public during the interim.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to §19a-17 and §20-99(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut, the parties hereby stipulate to the following:

1. Respondent's license number E59935 to practice as a registered nurse shall be suspended until such time as this petition is resolved.

- 2. Respondent shall surrender her registered nurse license number E59935 to the Board immediately upon approval of this Interim Consent Order by the Board.
- 3. Respondent shall withdraw any pending applications for renewal of her license immediately upon approval of this Interim Consent Order by the Board, and shall not apply for renewal of her license until either the expiration of this Interim Consent Order or the dismissal of the pending complaint, whichever occurs first.
- 4. Respondent shall execute releases for her treatment records, as requested by the Department.
- 5. This stipulation shall not deprive respondent of her right to a hearing on the merits of this case, nor shall it be construed as an admission of any fact or waiver of any right to which respondent may be entitled, other than as specifically provided for herein.
- 6. This Interim Consent Order shall become effective on the day it is approved and entered by the Board.
- 7. Respondent permits a representative of the Department to present this Interim Consent Order and the factual basis for this Consent Order to the Board. Respondent understands that the Board has complete and final discretion as to whether an executed Interim Consent Order is approved or accepted.
- 8. Respondent has had the opportunity to consult with an attorney prior to signing this document.
- 9. The execution of this document has no bearing on any criminal liability without the written consent of the Director of the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit or the Bureau Chief of the Division of Criminal Justice's Statewide Prosecution Bureau.

I, Beth Ouellette, have read the above Interim Consent Order, and I agree to the terms set forth
therein. I further declare the execution of this Interim Consent Order to be my free act and deed.
Beth Ouellette, R.N.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this deh day of 2006.
Notary Public or person authorized by law to administer an oath or affirmation Champe. OF THE Superice CoureT
The above Interim Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the
Commissioner of the Department of Public Health on the 22nd day of June
2006, it is hereby accepted.
Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief Practitioner Licensing and Investigations Healthcare Systems Branch
The above Interim Consent Order having been presented to the Board of Examiners for Nursing on the